Mr. K. Ayyappan.—If there are not notice boards, will the Government be pleased to cause notice boards to be put up?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Certainly.

Boards showing schedule rates—landing places.

383. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Adverting to the schedule referred to in the previous question, will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether boards showing the schedule rates are put up at any of the landing or mooring places along the foreshore at Ernakulam; and if so, in how many places such boards are put up;

(b) whether the absence of such boards in many or even all of the landing and mooring places has enabled the contractor to exact from the boatmen as landing or mooring charges, much larger sums that the rates specified in the above schedule?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes, in three places (b) No.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—May I know how long these notice boards have been there?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I think ever since the licensing began.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Are there only 3 places which are convenient for the landing and mooring of boats along the Ernakulam foreshore?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—These must be places where it has been fixed for landing and mooring purposes. They cannot use the entire foreshore. There is a notification on the subject. They must not go and land anywhere.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Are boats allowed to make their landing only at these three places?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes. Unless it be a private boat. Then I think they can use the private jetties belonging to private owners.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—On such boats will there be any landing charges collected?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No.

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Mr. Joseph Pettah.—There are two kinds of boats, the private boats and boats used for trading purposes, i.e., carrying passengers. When the owners come from other places in their own boats do you classify them as private boats or public boats?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—One should know the details before answering that.

Mr. Paul Mampilli.—Are not all boats liable to pay landing dues exempted by the Gorernment?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I think there are a class of boats which can moor at private jetties without paying landing dues. Those that come to the public jetties have to pay the dues, I think.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Besides these private jetties where boats could land, in all the other jetties the dues are collected. Is it not so?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I should think so.

Trichur Municipality—Allegations against.

384. **Mr. C. A. Ouseph.**—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(1) whether they have perused the dissenting minute of Mr. K. J. Devassy on the lamp post file of the Trichur Municipality published in the Gazette, dated 6th Kumbham 1109;

(2) whether they have noticed reference to the same matter in the Gomathi, dated 22nd Kumbham 1109, under the heading "ഇല്ലിവേലുർ മുനിസിപ്പാലിറ്റിയിലെ അഴിമതി—സാനിറ്ററി ഇൻസ്പെക്ടരുടെ എല്ലാം നാൻ തന്ത—", "ഒപ്പുയരും കള്ളകണക്കു";

(3) whether they have taken any action to ascertain whether the charges levelled against the Sanitary Inspector in respect to the 'Lamp Post Work' and against the Chairman in respect to supervision thereof are true; if so, what;

(4) whether the Government have taken any action to recover for the Municipality the losses sustained by it, as pointed out in the dissenting minute aforesaid?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) Yes.

(2) Yes.

(3) and (4) The estimate for the work is under consideration.

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